# THE CITY OF WHITTIER



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WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL **REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY JUNE 19, 2018** 7:00 PM **COUNCIL CHAMBERS** PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daniel Blair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## 2. OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Daniel Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. ROLL CALL

A. Council members present and establishing a quorum: Monty Irvin, Dave Dickason, Dave Pinquoch, and Daniel Blair.

MOTION: Dave Pinquoch made a motion to excuse Debra Hicks, Victor Shen and Peter Denmark

from tonight's meeting. SECOND: Dave Dickason **DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously

#### **B.** Administration Present:

Annie Reeves, Acting City Manager Naelene Matsumiya, City Clerk John Janik, Finance Officer Holly Wells, City Attorney

Kyle Sinclair, Harbormaster Greg Russell, Acting Police Chief

#### **Others Present:**

David Goldstein, Todd Perez, David Schofield, Eula Scofield, Greg Clifford, George Kalli, Brand Phillips and Don Stevens

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 22, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes and May 30, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Dave Pinquoch made a motion to approve the May 22, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes, and May 30 Special Meeting Minutes as they are.

**SECOND:** Dave Dickason

**DISCUSSION: None** 

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously

# 5. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MOTION: Dave Pinquoch made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda with amendments.

SECOND: Dave Dickason

DISCUSSION: Add a plaque honoring David Schofield to 12. Presentations and move agenda item

under Unfinished Business to 12. A. Presentations.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously

#### 6. MAYOR'S REPORT

# A. Mayor Report

Dan Blair gave a brief update on the Delong Dock stating that the City is now signing the closing documents over ownership. He mentioned the Worksession from the previous night where Council discussed the amendments in the Personnel Code with the Administration.

# B. Vice Mayor Report by Vice Mayor Dave Pinquoch

None

## 7. MANAGER'S REPORT

## A. Acting City Manager's Report- Annie Reeves

See written report in original packet

Annie Reeves gave a brief update on the Delong Dock transfer.

## B. City Attorney's Report - Holly Wells

Holly Wells reported on the following:

- -Grisham vs. Officer Casselman and the Municipality of Anchorage; Dismissal and conclusion
- -Resolution Regarding Whittier Manor Lease
- -Parks and Recreation Volunteer Day Participation

#### C. School District Report

Nothing new to report

#### D. Director's Reports

### 1. Financial report - John Janik

See written report in original packet.

#### 2. Harbormaster Report - Kyle Sinclair

Nothing new to report

# 3. Public Safety Report - Greg Russell

Greg Russell reported on the following:

- -Transition from BTI office to the Public Safety Building
- -Speed Bump issues being fixed
- -Supplies for Fire and EMS
- -Progress in Girdwood
- -Tunnel activity
- -Personnel update and changes

## 4. Public Works Report - Scott Korbe

Nothing new to report

# 8. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### A. Planning Commission

Nothing new to report

#### **B. Port & Harbor Commission**

Greg Clifford reported on the following:

- -Port and Harbor's June 12th Special Meeting
- -Moving the C & D connector float back to where it was originally
- -Planning a Special Meeting for August

#### C. Parks & Recreation Committee

Dave Dickason reported on the following:

- -Volunteer Day and the progress on the trails.
- -Meeting with Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm Natural Heritage Area

# D. Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corp.

Nothing new to report

# E. Regional Citizen's Advisory Council

Nothing new to report

# 9. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING None

# 10. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

None

#### 11. PUBLIC HEARINGS (NON-ORDINANCE)

None

#### 12. PRESENTATIONS

Dan Blair made a presentation, honoring David Schofield for his service as the City of Whittier's Chief of Police. A plaque was awarded to Dave Schofield.

A. George Kalli of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers gave a presentation on the studies at the Head of the Bay and the reasons they are requesting additional funds.

#### 13. ORDINANCES

Introduction (1st reading)

Ordinance #04-2018 - An Ordinance of the City of Whittier, Alaska, amending Whittier Municipal Code in regard to City Elections by adopting a new elections code to allow for candidates to file a declaration of candidacy to place their name on the ballot; by adopting a new title 4 Elections, Chapter 4.04 General Provisions, Chapter 4.08 Voter Qualification, and Chapter 4.12 Candidates; amending Section 2.06.010 Incorporation of State and Federal law, 2.04.030 Qualifications, and 2.04.040 Terms; and repealing sections 2.06.10 – 2.06.060 and 2.04.050 Organization meeting, all related to candidates, filing for office and related election

requirements; and to allow the City a more efficient and effective way to operate City elections.

MOTION: Dave Pinquoch made a motion to introduce and schedule a second hearing for Ord.

#04-2018 on June 26, 2018. SECOND: Dave Dickason DISCUSSION: None

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously

# 14. PUBLIC HEARING (2nd reading)

None

#### 15. RESOLUTIONS

A. Res. #14-2018 – A re solution of the City of Whittier, Alaska amending the classification chart for the City to remove all director positions that are currently unfilled by either full-time or interim employees from that chart and require the new contracted City Manager to propose revisions to classifications, organizations, and funded positions with the City of Whittier.

MOTION: Dave Dickason SECOND: Dave Pinquoch

**DISCUSSION:** Dave Dickason stated that after discussion with the administration, the resolution doesn't need to be adopted. Dan Blair stated that there was a conflict regarding certain positions that were never filled. Annie Reeves stated that as of today the position of interim Director of Administration has been filled and that the City is compliant with the Code. Holly Wells confirmed. Discussion followed.

VOTE: Motion failed unanimously

#### 16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

#### 17. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# A. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Request for Additional Funds Regarding Head of the Bay Project

Item moved to 12. Presentations.

#### 18. NEW BUSINESS

# A. Earthquake of 1964 Commemorative Monument

Topic was briefly discussed. Holly Wells stated that more information was needed.

# B. Bonds for Bellingham Marine Industries Inc. Harbor Reconstruction Phase III

Kyle Sinclair presented possibilities for funding and the different options available to the City of Whittier. The C & D connector float was discussed as well as getting power on Whiskey float.

**MOTION:** Dave Pinquoch made a motion to allow the City to move forward with the Harbor Project with bonding as stated near the \$4.4 million and moving the head walk south to connect it straight forward and not moving forward with electric on Whiskey float.

**SECOND:** Dave Dickason

**DISCUSSION:** Dan Blair asked if the bonding was a fallback. David Pinquoch replied that the bonds can be cancelled if the City gets the grants, but this will move the project forward. Discussion ensued.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

# 19. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Annie Reeves asked if she can present a Grievance Procedure Update to the Council. Council allowed

Dave Dickason mentioned the generator for the Public Safety Building and the state of the P-12 Building

#### 20. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION

# 21. COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE TO CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

#### 22. ADJOURNMENT

All were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

Naelene Matsumiya

City Clerk

Daniel Blair
Mayor

Mayor